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**1862-02-20 Charles Sampson writes Governor Washburn
regarding desertion of Mr. Chadwick after Bull Run**

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Camp Howard,

3^d Maine Reg^t

Gen Washburn, Thursday Feb 20th 62

Dear Sir. Yours of the 14th
came to hand last evening.

In regard to Chadwick of Co D
I have to say that for desertion
after the Battle of Bull Run
He waited in the Guard House
for his trial. He was sentenced
a month ago, and since that
time had been in his Company.

His punishment which may
seem severe to him, is the deduc-
tion of \$9.00 per month from his
wages for six months, with two
months hard labor in the Reg^t.
but the labor is no more than
many others perform who are not

under sentence,

I am confident no undue severity
has been practiced in his case,
and think if we were a little
more strict in our discipline
it would save much trouble,
and result in much good.

Very Respectfully
Yrs. Obedt. Svt.,
C. D. S. Sampson

Hon. J. Washburn Jr.